Hazel would do. Nose of the Grecian type-Not to seem proud. Some little latitude Figure that's squeezable, Plump, but not fat,

Steer clear of scragginess, Couldn't stand that. Quiet and lady-like, Dresses with taste, Ankle displayable, Neat little waist. Sphere of home duties.

Her element quite; Pie crust, especially, Warranted light. Common accomplishments. But in a word, Those of a useful kind Greatly preferred. Little bit musical,

Able to sing, Claribel, Gabriel,

That sort of thing

Lady of such a stamp Wanting a bean, Strictly in confidence. Knows where to go follows the name and address in full.) P. S.—Applicant penniless, Ditto with tin— Ceteris paribus, Latter would win.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

What a perfect model of a young man that one must be who can say with truth. "I have never done a foolish thing!" I feel no fear of having my word doubted when of places." I say that in my time I have done a great many, one of which nearly resulted in my being prevented from ever relating the fol-

Paris, as Albert Smith used to say, is a ' rather jolly place-rather funny," but it has its serious side. There are the grand Rues and majestic Boulevards: but there are also the wretched alleys and "culs-desac:" the noble palaces, and the ruinous erowded houses, each a perfect warren: the acts in the sunshine of broad day, and

the deeds of darkness. "Take care of yourself," was the last laughing address of my friends, as I took my ticket at London Bridge Station-an address as laughingly replied to; and that same evening, with a companion, I was strolling down the Boulevard des Italiens, smoking a cigar, and enjoying the novel sights around; the newsvender's kiosk; bright Venetian shutters: the handsome shops, with their costly contents; the gay throng of promenaders: the numberless little marble-topped tables; and the cool way in which people sat out of doors to sip " cafe noir, eau saucree," or "vin de Bordeaux." Here was a couple playing dominoes; there a quartette, evidently tradesfolk, with a moderator-lamp, seated at a table outside their shop door, happily engaged at a French version of short whist. Now the pointed-moustached, tight-coated, cockedhatted "sergent de-ville," with his long thin sword, would take one's attention : now one of the many shabby-uniformed, but active, cat-like sunbrowned soldiers, one and a earrying their arms. Then the white cap of a Sister of Mercy, or the starch plaits of play, as shown in gilded railings, bright hues, and, above all, in flowers clustering said; "or else not have begun," he mutterround so many windows. No gas-flaming, heavy-looking public houses here, but elegant marble and velvet furnished cafes, re- while," I said." splendent with mirror, white and gold,

the latest Paris fashion. I slept that night in a confusion of ideas, am cleaned out. strangest of which was a belief that Paris was a sort of fairy land, where all was per- lost any of your own money?" feet; and I woke the next morning to a capital hotel breakfast of long bread, "cafean lait, acufs frais," and a string band, rethe strains of the "Lancers' Quadrilles." dral, church, picture gallery, bridge, fountain, palace, opera, theatre and review. pretended to like the French potage and

panion actually hinted at it being almost of mentor and to whisper me to come time to think of going back home. But away. at the "table d'hote" we encountered a "Monsieur can play for himself, sir. he will be well by morning; he would take young fellow-countrymen who put us Why do you interfere?" said a swarthy inending by telling us that we had seen noth- "I'll come soon," I said, angrily. "I can room; give Monsieur, here, the yellow ing yet, and promising to initiate us into a do no worse than you have done.

us a lesson-Parisian life and manners- ing Frenchman whispered to me, "Play arated, for I could not, after all, think that one which proved quite sufficient to satisfy high, Monsieur; you are more likely to anything wrong would befall Rivers, penme; and two days after, I was congratula- have 'la bonheur.' The fickle goddess likes niless and without jewelry as he was; but ting myself upon being safely at home. | not humble offerings.' chantants" in the Champs Elysees, our new to the proprietary, I again threw down a -such a draught, in fact, as I felt sure

little more Parisian life and manners.

vate house. "without seeing a gambling house," 'I don't much care for that."

hour, and then have a look at something hurry from the house.

And then we entered a well-lit passage, my ear, and I was once more in funds to a door closed behind us, shutting us in like | carry on the warfare or to leave, whichever flies in a trap, and a well-dressed waiter I liked. I was about to pursue the latter ushered us into a brilliantly lighted saloon, course, when a half contemptuous glance wherein were collected some twenty well. from the Frenchman's eye turned me back. dressed men, seated and standing round a and I staked again, and again; doubled my centre-table covered with a green cloth, stake and won again; again doubled, and

ices and champagne. "Don't refuse the refreshments," whis- franc pieces before me.

taken it."

invariably won.

walked up to the rouge-et-noire table, and | ing through my veins. looked on. The stakes were not very high, because begged of me to leave, but I refused, and it was so early in the evening, so our guide | played on, although at the time there was a said; men winning and losing various strange desire upon me to leave off and small sums with the utmost nonchalance, carry away my ill-gotten gains. Every In effect the game seemed then tame and stake I haid down was successful, and in a uninteresting, and thoroughly wanting in short time I found that the greater part of room before securing the door.

that excitement of which I had so often the occupants of the room were now watchread. There were half cries of croupier and ing my success with as much eagerness as but to look under the bed and my examination was followed there by Rivers, pale and ill, tailleur and the faint click and chinck of they had previously gazed upon my com- tion was nearly at an end. No cupboards franc and five-franc pieces as they were panion. raked together; but there were no fierce | Once I stopped as if to take breath, and | cealed-no second means of egress. aspect, no knit-brows, or sweat-bedewed in the brief moments which ensued I seem- I went to the window and threw it open the hotel had been opened. As to how he forehead; all was calm and gentlemanly; ed to look upon the probable result—the to look down upon a long, dark, deserted came there, all was blank; his last recoland I was wondering how long it would glittering heap gradually melting away, street at an immense distance below me; lection was seeing me at the table in the be ere my companions were ready to go, and taking with it my last shilling; and yet and I shuddered as I thought of the conse- gambling house, and then his going and when our new friend took a five-franc I could not restrain myself, but played on quence of a fall. There were the usual drinking at the buffet from a glass handed preacher, thought he would write his appiece out of his pocket, staked it and saw again, still winning, with an insatiate thirst Venetian shutters on either side, fastened to him by the obsequious Frenchman. it melt away. Another shared its fate, and for more of the wild excitement ever grow- back, and a light appeared here and there I was too ill to relate my own adventure, the pews on the following Sunday. He acanother, and another.

ing upon me. "Always my luck!" he said, coolly, as Still I won; till, trembling for my gains, above my head the stars peered down from better, I was scated with my friend at and told the sexton to get the bills on Sathe turned to me. "Lost a louis! that's as I began to thrust the coins into different the soft summer night's sky. far as I shall go. Ah! the disease has pockets, lessening the heap as much as I Leaving the window partly open to adproved infectious; I see your friend has could, before staking the largest sum that mit the cool, gentle breeze, I now turned while in the course of conversation it came to the printer's office, where no one but the was, where that other twin was born.

had yet been upon the table that evening. In a few kind words to him; then placing his mistant with the course of conversation it came to the printer's of the I turned, with surprise, at his words; for I placed it upon the red, and it seemed was a lock but no key. There was, how- the early train that morning. I had not missed my old school-fellow, as if the result would never be known. In ever, a large bolt at the top of the door, Rivers, a quiet, steady, thoughtful man, effect, there was quite a pause, and then which I slipped easily into its staple; and whom I should have thought the last to came the announcement, "Rogue gagne!" in then, as quickly as I could, moving it only or to make our way hence to London, the have staked a shilling at a game of chance; calm, impressive tones; and again I swept a few inches at a time, I contrived to place richer by nearly two thousand pounds? clergyman next morning may be imagined says the money value of the boy was roused. His but, sure enough, there he was, placing his between \$4,000 and \$5,000, and unceasingly tormented by numberless sting on finding every pew in the church confinding e money first on one color, then on the other; lookers-on,

and as I drew near his elbow, it seemed "But this once!" I muttered to myself, I wanted to take out the money and to ing my spoil in a little value, fearing to entertainment at the local Assembly Rooms coupled with the fact that Messrs. Mason three hours before he died, and found him studious and ambitious to excel. And he always changing at the right time; for he preparing to stake the whole of my last tie it all up together—silver, gold and place it in the hands of a banker, though of a clever Sambo singer, and the minimum to take out the money and to mg my spoil in a little value, for he preparing to stake the whole of my last tie it all up together—silver, gold and place it in the hands of a banker, though of a clever Sambo singer, and the fun durgains; when, in a quiet manner, as if there "bilets de banque"—in my hankerchief, so almost afraid of the money itself, we ing the ensuing week may be "better im- cash orders for their instruments for sev- ed to them the manner in which he had of a well known commentary on the Bible; If I had before found the proceedings were nothing at all in the announcement, that if the worst came to the worst, I started for the railway station, glad to be agined than described. tame, they were now most exciting; the the proprietor informed the company that might throw it from the window; for I on the way homeward.

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smoking, drinking and chattering about dently half asleep.

quite time to be gone, our friend, who had ing in very pure French, "we only take brought us there, drew Rivers from the advice from our friends. now-take my advice and come away;" a shrug of his shoulders; "it is as a friend but Rivers only shook him off, with a half I offer you my advice." laugh, and returned to the table, after He pushed his face close to mine, as he hastily swallowing a glass of champagne. spoke now in a whisper.

"You had better bring him away now," he said; "perhaps you have more influence over him. I don't consider this the safest temptation—throwing temptation in their

Feeling uneasy, I turned to Rivers, and they would otherwise go quietly home. Is whispered to him that it was time to go, this just, Monsieur: are mine the words of bolt

and then, unperceived by me, he left the peace. room, for the feeling of interest in my | He tapped my breast with his fingers, friend River's play had now grown most | which came in contact with the napoleons intense, since he was still winning, and it in my pocket, and smiled meaningly, but was as much as I could do to keep from with a leer in his eyes which troubled me. placing a small stake upon the table my- and made me turn uneasily to look at self; for several times over I had seen him | Rivers.

ing nature of the play.

For quite an hour my friend went on awaking him. the tall, white stone houses, with their winning, men ceasing their own ventures What could I do? What did it meanto watch those of their more fortunate competitors; and now it was that I could see greed, avarice, cunning, a host of evil pasions, flashing from eyes around, as River's

heap of money grew larger and larger. almost without a single renovating 'coup,' Then first one pocket was applied to and then another, till, with a laugh full of dis- or run all risk and stay? The danger appointment and annoyance, he turned from the table, walked up to the buffet, and

tossed down a tumbler of wine. It required almost an effort to tear myself away from the table, where there was what, after all, were my winnings as coma "bonne," would diversify the throng, an excited buzz as of hungry flies for a few Everywhere there was something new to minutes, and then the gaming recomtake the attention, while not the least evi- menced; but I followed Rivers to the bufdent was the love of our neighbor for dis-play, as shown in gilded railings, bright "Ought to have left off sooner, eh?" he

ed. "But where are you going?" "Only back to the table for a little "No, no: let's be off now. I'm sick of and overlooked by a presiding deity in the I stayed all this while for your pleasure,'

shape of a "dame de comptoir," throned amidst fruit, flowers and wine, coffee urns I replied: "I think you might stay a little and confectionery, herself a very model of while for mine. "I can't stand it," said Rivers: " and I

"What?" I exclaimed. "You have not "Every franc," he said butterly; " and so

will you, if you go near that cursed table." I hesitated for a few moments, but the calling home, outside the window, with temptation was too strong; and probably seeing that hesitation, a waiter approached Then came a round of sight-seeing-cathe- and offered me some wine. I could keep back no longer: the low talking at the tables seemed like whispers calling me to go We lunched and dined "ala Française," and | and sweep up a glittering pile of money, Mammon himself summoned me to his their wines. We played billiards at the worship, and feeling certain that I saw fail-"cafes," smoked bad cigars, made ourselves | ings in my companion's method of play, I ill, tired ourselves out, and all the while walked up to the table, threw down a five

avowed that we were in the very height of | franc piece and saw it raked away. In a sort of intoxication, brought on by At the end of a fortnight, Paris did not the excitement, I staked two pieces this seem half so bright a place; and, certainly, time, and they also disappeared. Half a no better than London. One day I spent napoleon shared their fate; then a napo- to rise in my throat; "get me a room upon the sofa reading the Times and Gal- leon; when Rivers caught me by the arm, ready, and help my friend to it." ignani; and that same evening my com- it being his turn now to play the pari

Rivers shrugged his shoulders, and

We assented to his acting as guide; and turned away to take another glass of cham- is it not so?" he certainly did initiate us-or rather give | pagne from a waiter, when the fierce-look-It was about 10 o'clock at night, that af- Turning impatiently from my would-be

ter spending an hour or two amid the "cafe | counselor, whom I set down as belonging friend led us up and down several streets, napoleon, and lost. Another—another— must have been given to my friend, and till he paused at what seemed to be a pri- another. In five minutes I had come down asking for a chamber candlestick, I myto my last coin, and I stood for a few mo-self superintended the removal of Rivers "You ought not to go back." he said, ments thoughtful and pondering. Should to a bed-chamber before seeking my I let that go with the others or not? Why "Oh! I don't know," I said, hesitating: should I refrain? I asked myself bitterly: my folly could be no greater; and, almost "You need not either of you play," was passionately, I threw it down, half turning, the reply. "We'll just go in for half an at the same time, to leave the table, and

"Won, by Jove!" a voice whispered at while another waiter handed round coffee, won; so that, in the course of a few minutes, I had piled up a goodly heap of five-

pered our guide. "It would look strange. "Give this gentleman some wine," the They are all free-found by the proprietor, Frenchman said, in a low tone, to a waiter, who recoups himself out of his visitors and a glass was handed to me, but, impatiently motioning the man aside, I plunged. I nodded and partook of some cham- as it were, into the overpowering excitepagne, as did my companions; when, ment of the play, winning constantly, and eager to see all that was going on, we with a feeling as of some wild fever thrill-

Twice over I believe that Rivers eagerly

success had been the signal for an increasing thirst for the game, for the stakes leaving the place, already half emptied of capidity of some one in the house.

Perhaps we were wise, perhaps foolish. Judge you who read We felt strange, ungradually grew higher; gold began to its occupants. But my eyes first sought Of course I did not undress, but sat for nerved, and that even our lives were unmake its appearance, bright and yellow, for Rivers, who, to my great surprise, I a long while debating as to whether I safe, and we gladly drew breath once more among the silver; men who had been saw lolling back upon a "fau teuil," evi- should put out my candle-a point decided at home, both feeling that with such un-

the table, to watch the proceedings; the murmur of conversation ceased, and play force upon me his society. "The salla has sound, and seeing, in my imagination, the seemed now fally the order of the night. been hot, and disappointment wearied his swarthy Frenchman, stiletto-armed, slow-We had been in the gambling house now | brain. Monsicar would do well to rest too." | ly ascending the stairs, quite an hour and a half, when, after impa- "In my country, sir," I said, turning uptiently hinting several times that it was on him sharply, and not, I am afraid, speak-

Meanwhile our guide to the mysteries of "The hour is late; the streets are unsafe. have seen you win-win 'ma foi,' as I nevway-putting ideas in men's minds, when but only to get for an answer an impatient friend or enemy? Take my advice, if it seem a friend's, and stay here; if it seem an Our friend stayed some little time longer, enemy's, rouse your comrade, and go in

place money in his pocket, and he had, | Crossing to him, I shook his arm, but besides, a goodly heap on the table before only obtained a few unintelligible mutter-At last I grew as deeply intent upon the wake up. His arm drooped nerveless to ment only to be explained by the engross- while, he seemed to be plunged in a deep, the struggle for life.

Rivers being so fast asleep? Had he been plied with wine? or was it possible that he could have been drugged?

I half laughed at what seemed to be the absurdity of the thought, full of romance The tide of River's success turned at last, as it appeared; but the next moment a cold and as I watched him, saw his brow knit chill ran through me as I recalled the tighter and tighter, as I with inconceivable words of our friend who had brought us beneath! rapidity his pile of money melted away, there, "I don't consider this the safest of

> What should I do-run all risk and go, seemed equal on either hand, while how could I go and leave my companion in the hands of these people? I cursed the folly that had brought me to such a place; for pared with life? How could I tell what would be my fate before morning, unarmed, in a strange house, in a strange city, and surrounded by people who knew me to be in possession of a heavy sum of money? It was imposible to help a shudder coursing through my veins as I recalled th Frenchman's sinister words regarding temptation. What if it tempted him?—the man of whom I felt an instinctive dread, and one evidently connected in some way with the establishment, for while the others had gone he still lingered behind. "Would Monsieur like a bed here?" said the croupier, smiling as he advanced,

> bowing and rubbing his hands. "Yes," said the swarthy Frenchman, smiling in reply: " Monsieur thinks it unsafe to pass through the streets by night with so large a sum; and of course Monsieur would not like to leave it till morning in our care, Ah! no; Monsieur will stay all night, as will his friend. Is it not

I hesitated for a moment, and then my decision was taken. I would stay; for I should be as safe, I thought, in a room to myself, as being dogged through the dark streets, of whose course I was almost ignorant. And besides, I was young and strong, and could remain on my guard for the rest of the night. It would not be so

very long till morning. "Yes," I said, with an effort, for my mouth felt hot and dry, and a lump seemed

"But we have no double rooms, Monsieur," said the swarthy Frenchman; "your friend shall have a room to himself, and rather too much champagne. But it is François, assist this gentleman to the blue chamber. But Monsieur will not retire yet? He would like a slight refreshment?

I made no opposition to our being sep-I steadily refused to partake of any repast, dreading that I might be inveigled into taking something more potent than wine

one far up, upon the fourth floor. made no scruple about letting it be seen lowed, and I hardly knew how, but in a furniture, into curtains, into table-covers, school-teacher in Nevada, to whom she the lower part of the body; he then introthat he was about to pass the night there battle of mind, muscle and weight, I strug- and even an imitation leather is had taken her unruly son. "No, madam." duced the sharp point of the spike, which himself, bade me farewell in the most im- gled up, my feet just lending a slight aid made of paper, which is impermea- "Oh, I'm so glad! What do you substi- was about six feet long, and made of polmy resolve, which he declared to be "bien

in hand, with a beating heart, alone. I could hear the heavy throb of my few minutes. heart, as it seemed to force the blood through my veins with a power that made them thrill; and it was in vain that I told myself that it was from the ascent. Such flattering unction could not be received. and I was fain to confess that, trembling wondering whether I should see the morn- at the mercy of a child.

ing light. How I cursed my weakness again and passion! Why, after all, had I staved?

But that was no time for childish muring the danger; and, rousing myself to the emergency, I proceeded to examine the clar

The task was soon performed. I had -no place where an enemy could be con- self, he told me, on the Pont Neuf, and

then sat down, panting, to think.

by the short piece burning out, so that I scrupulous and watchful enemies on the -Use free-stone. the room drew, as I had done, nearer to "Monsieur, your friend is tired," said soon sat upon the edge of the bed in utter "que vive" our best plan was to be con-

ward, against the bedstead. assured, and even if I could elude my assail-

while, he seemed to be plunged in a deep. The struggle for me.

A sufficiently leavy sleep, from which there was no A sufficient groan forced itself from the late of Providence bought six lets for \$2000. my breast, and a great trembling seized their efforts, rose to depart, when one of Providence bought six lots for \$3,000, which positively shocked the Judge, who, my breast, and a great trembling seized upon me, but even then I did not think to offer the money as a ransom for my liberty.

Their efforts, rose to depart, when one of them, indignant at his treatment, went upon to his cage to bid him good-bye, with a few strong of Providence bought six lots for \$3,000, and now they have just sold them for to his cage to bid him good-bye, with a few strong of Providence bought six lots for \$3,000, and now they have just sold them for them, indignant at his treatment, went upon to his cage to bid him good-bye, with a few speaking to your "Oh yangs" fair and honest, and try to appear tair and offer the money as a ransom for my liberty, but hurried from one end of the room to

But the bed clothes-could I knot them together, and slide down? A moment's reflection told me that the I might appear for help; but all was still, and my tongue seemed to refuse its out of place, but his talking, both answers round with a piece of yellow paper pasted they are taken out for a day's sport by the when 'tis only "pickled string-beams!" out on the window sill, and looked up. As an illustration, he always recognized bold, free hand, "Go it Bill, I'll back

every thin bar a step to climb to safety owner putting on his hat and coat to new leaf, and now go on like clock-work." Yes-if they would bear my weight.

I shuddered as at that moment I seemed neath, and men gathering round to gaze lated before of any of the bird species. If securities, in accordance with the laws of ter than you. upon the sickening spectacle.

But it was my only chance for safety; and upon the roof I might travel on and on, and chude my pursuers, if they could reach my refuge by any other way; for I felt assured that they would not attempt it his purpose, and always correctly by name, by my route. But would the shutter bear and when they were not present. I tried one with my left hand, and it

the other and tried it. Firmer, certainly; but what a frail road to safety! Would it not be better to stop and encounter my enemies, who were new in the room. It seemed the lesser evil to trust to my activity to reach the roof; and softly placing one foot upon the wood work I reached | time. - Detroit Free Press. the top of the shutter, and drew myself up from the window sill, just as a man leaned out and uttered an exclamation of horror. But I could not look down at him, nor

of horror, upon the pavement below. began to draw myself up, rising slowly till cast into some receptacle. my chin was upon the parapet edge, but Paper has recently been prepared under made out of spiders and bound to the with the weight of the money seeming to a patent process, which gives it great wrists drag me down; then one hand was reached strength and flexibility, and is made into The swarthy Frenchman, who now forward to get a better hold, the other fol- petticoats, into a sort of chintz for bed courses, and then I was lying panting in the articles enumerated are made, can be Exit mother and unruly son. sage," and then I closed the door, candle the gutter, feeling that I had used every sewed with a machine, the petticoats being

Fortunately for me, there could have been with open work of such beauty and no means of exit by trap or door on to the delicacy as no amount of work with roof; and after lying where I was for a few scissors and needle could imitate; miautes, I crawled along for some distance, and, what is really amazing, is the going foot by foot cautiously, for fear of fact that these articles can be produced to falli g; and then once more completely ex- sell at retail at fifteen cents each! But if and anxious—nay, in deadly fear—I was hausted, I lay, so that I should have been petticoats and table-cloths, curtains, etc.

trap, through which I dare not descend; stance-why may we not expect in time to again for coming, and then for stooping to but I sat by it till the noise from the street bave our coats and trousers made of it? the indulgence of a weak, mad, insatiate told that Paris was wakening into life Why may we not be able to go about "paonce more, when to my great relief, I was per clad;" with paper hat, in paper shoes, Rivers would have been quite as safe with- able to attract the notice of a woman with paper coat and trousers, furnished servant, who terribly frightened at first, without in paper, and fortified in our was pacified by a napoleon, and consented pocket-books with Uncle Sam's good-lookmurings against my folly. I was in a sore to lead me down stairs to the front door; strait, if my fancy had not been magnify- but not without fear and trembling, in of such an outfit (without the pocket-book)

> A "fiacre" bore me to my hotel; and upon reaching my room to my great surprise, I and confused of intellect. He found himhad been wandering about for honrs till

A Wonderful Parrot. I had no difficulty in keeping awake, for | The recent demise of & somewhat noted my nerves were strained to their greatest parrot, of the gray African species, very tension with the excitement, and a cold much to the sorrow of his owner, a residamp collected upon my forehead and in dent of Congress street east, recalls some table, saying, "You have won enough "Precisement," he said, with a smile, and the palms of my hands, as at last, after anecdotes of the bird that we have heard reseveral false alarms, I heard a faint breath- lated by his owner, that would seem aling noise apparently just outside the door. most incredible were they not well at-Rising softly, and with my heart beating tested. Among others the following good almost to suffocation, I stole to the win- one will suffice to prove the wonderful sa-"The hour is late; the streets are unsafe.
Twenty men, desperate with their losses, there came a faint gliding, grating noise; His owner was teasing him playfully one and though I could see nothing, I felt that day, when Polly caught one of his fingers one of the panels of the door was so con- and bit it quite severely. Scolding him a trived that it would slide back, and I little in response he used the words "you seemed to be gazing the next moment upon old rip," he avers, the first and only time a hand thrust through, to be laid upon the he had ever done so. Some few days after this occurrence, some lady acquaintances The darkness was intense, but I was, I of the family called to see and make Polly's felt, right, for there came the grating of acquaintance, as they had heard of him and the iron, and the bolt was softly shot back his exploits. Of course his mistress, hav- three years before the appearance of the from the staple, and the door pressed in- ing heard the object of the visit, was quite King James version. anxious to have him show all his good What could I do? That I should be points. Bringing him into the parlor, she a "city" greenhorn is, that one would like side of the road, and seeing what his hopemurdered if I staved there unarmed, I felt commenced her efforts at an introduction to know everything, and the other thinks ful was doing, shouted out: "John, don't to the ladies by talking to and coaxing him he can tell him. ant in the dark, it would be only for a few to throw off his natural reserve in company minutes, for I must be hunted down at and show some of his acquirements. But last. There was no escape, I told myself, all this would not answer to induce him to ings, though I carnestly be sought him to and as the bedstead creaked with the pres- make a motion or utter a syllable. His missure against it, I knew that it must, in a tress not succeeding, the ladies undertook. game as was Rivers himself, and watched each venture and its result with an excite-bosom, and breathing stentoriously the for a man to pass in, and then would come by caresses and coaxing, to draw him out, but Polly sits back upon his perch without an apparent shadow of interest in the afwords in condemnation of his treatment of Massachusetts has 308 newspapers, and the other in search of a way to escape, ladies who had called expressly to see him | Illinois has 435, while the six New Eng-Then I stopped short, for there was a Polly listened patiently to the lecture, land States have altogether 449—but fourwhispering outside, and a thought had oc- and, when it was finished, ran across teen more than the State of Illinois. curred to me. Could I escape by the win- his perch, put his head out through the A witness was called to the stand to bars until his bill was in close proximity give his testimony. Having taken his Four stories high, and the cruel stones to her face, and then, in his loudest. plain- place, he turned to the bar and earnestly est, and most indignant tones, roared out, asked: "Which side am I on?"

"You old rip!" "You old rip!" A stam- LADY YARMOUTH asked Garrick one effect of that speech. listen if there was any one below to whom | rot was that he had no sing-song phrases | ence. office. Almost mad with fear, I climbed and questions, were apropos to that time, on the back of it on which is written, in a fowlers. his master's step, and would instantly call you!" I was on the top floor, but the parapet out to him, " How do you do, old boy?" leave the house, he was sure to call for his "Yes," replied his friend, "tick! tick! parting salute with "Good-bye, old boy!" tick! wanting his food, or to see his mistress, he Illinois. would address the servant, "Bridget, where's Mrs. H?" If the reply was "Gone out." he would then call for any other

member of the family that would answer These are but a very small sample of his savings and doings. His vocal, and esshook ominously. I stepped quickly to pecially his imitative powers, were equally well developed. He would whistle a part of the Silver Lake Waltz as well as the human voice could render it. Laughing, crying, and the perfect imitation of other birds and animals, and peculiar voices of all kinds seemed to be his favorite pas-

"The Paper Age." WE sometimes hear this age called the heed his warning cry to descend, for all my | iron age; but recent advances in the appliweight was now upon the shutter, support- cation of paper to the arts would require a ed by its hinges and the holder which kept | later and more significant cognomen. The it back against the stone wall. I felt it "paper age" we are getting to be, in more giving way beneath me; but taking another | senses than one. Paper-collar manufacture step I threw up one hand, as with a spas- has developed into a very large and impormodic effort I drew up my body in what I tant industry. We confess to certain prejknew to be my last struggle for life; and udices in favor of the linen collar, althrough a sort of catechism upon our say- dividual, with a short, black beard, and light, and will soon pass off. Here, Jean instant my other hand was by its side; my be glad of a paper substitute, if on a caminstant my other hand was by its side; my that hand rested upon the parapet; the next | though, no doubt, the most fastidious might feet aided me again for an instant, and then, paign, or on a long voyage at sea. The with a sharp crack, the shutter gave way, "patent reversible paper collar," however, hung to my feet for a few moments, when, would seem to imply the practice, on the as I kicked them free and clung there, I part of some people, of turning the dirty heard it fall, after what seemed a lifetime side of their make-believe linen inward-a habit too disgusting to mention. The Jap- and who has had only one paper of pins The effect of that crash below was almost anese custom of using paper for handker- in that time, and yet has a part of the sufficient to make me relax my hold, so chief's has much to defend it; in fact, the paper left. She has money in the bank. strangely did it jar upon my nerves; but Japanese visitors, who were here a few "Economy is the road to wealth." my fingers seemed to grow, as it were, into years ago, expressed very plainly their dis- In a drug store in Fort Wayne, Indiana, you see about to kill Cock Robin, you will the stone, and I hung at the full stretch of gust at our habit of carrying about in our they have a book, printed in 1556, called have established a very efficacious Sportsmy muscles, motionless for a few moments, pockets the mucous discharges from our | the "New London Dispensatory." It gives | man's Club of your own. when, forcing myself by pure mental effort nostrils. They always blew their noses in the following ague cure: "The fat of the to think of my duty to fight to the last, I a small square of paper, which was then crocodile is good, as are also the ashes of

atom of vital power in the efforts of those "printed in imitation of the fashionable skirts of the day, or stamped out can be made of paper—if material like Daylight found me by an unfastened leather can be produced from this subing paper money? The cost, moreover, spite of my assurance that I was no bur- would be so trifling that luxurious people could have an entirely new suit every day, and even economical persons adorn themselves afresh as often as once a week! The "paper age" promises to revolutionize our social habits in not a few particu-

lars.—Appleton's Journal THE incumbent of an English church being anxious to raise funds for some repairs to the church, and having but a modest opinion of his own powers as a peal, get it printed, and have it placed in in some of the houses opposite, while and the next morning, when somewhat cordingly sent his copy to the printer's, breakfast, he told me that his head was urday night and place them in the pews. the list back to have the deficiency acstill confused, as if from some opiate; On Saturday night the sexton sent his son counted for. What they wanted to know the wound it mortifies and occasion as any water gets into answer. He saw that the teacher was so the still confused, as if from some opiate; On Saturday night the sexton sent his son counted for. And now what were we to do? To sexton's son, by whom they were duly dis- & Hamlin Organ Company, of Boston, of insufferable thirst, which is probably inciplace our case in the hands of the police, tributed in the pews. The astonishment of twenty of their best Cabinet Organs to the dental to this terrible punishment. The these days you may be a fine scholar. and finding my friend willing, after pack tained copies of an announcement of the becomes of greater significance when ing insects. I went to see him again about was formed. From that hour he became

friend had commenced playing, and I "Monsieur has broken the bank," said a those who I felt sure intended to attack getting of tickets, and for a moment I, my watched each stake, and listened to each soft voice at my car, and, turning, there was a fittle crowding during the getting of tickets, and for a moment I, my wish a man named Ladd was convicted of which unites the head to the shoulders, the shoulders are the shoulders. cry of "Rouge," or "Noir," with an eager- stood the swarthy Frenchman. stealing a noise. A short time and sprague came into and expanded as follows: "A throat is thirst, and raved for drink, while no one another man named Sprague came into and expanded as follows: "A throat is thirst, and raved for drink, while no one

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

THE COMING MAN-The juvenile. RELATIVE BEAUTY-A pretty cousin. How to Build a House for Nothing

COAT-OF-ARMS FOR REPORTERS - A pump-handle in motion. THE census of 1870 will cost the Government \$1,750,900. London averages 2,000 births and 1,200

How to Develop the Inagination-Get the delirium tremens. in America was originally cider.

"Working for dear life" is defined to be "making ciothes for the baby." CLEVELAND has fewer marriages than any other city of its size in the Union. Why are horses in cold weather like meddlesome gossips? Because they are bearers of idle tails.

DURING 1869 there were sold by twelve manufacturing companies in this country 320,669 sewing machines. Mr. David Holt, of Madison, Wis., is the possessor of a Bible printed in 1608,

THE difference between a "country" and in the door of his house, on the opposite

States is a copper mine near Lake Superior. It is thirteen hundred feet deep.

set, Iowa, thirty-six inches high, and weighing thirty-six pounds.

child. He replied, "Because love never idea was madness; and I leaned out, to The most striking peculiarity of this par- reaches the age of wisdom and experi-I might appeal for help; but all was to be constantly repeated, whether in or Ax old, dilapidated bank-note is going

A FRIEND having met Sheridan, asked was above my reach, unless-yes-the and being answered "Pretty well," his re- him how he was getting along. "Oh" Venetian shutters-each a very ladder- sponse was "All right." On seeing his answered Sheridan, "I have turned over a

"Come and kiss me good-bye!" Identify- THE assets of the Mutual Life Insurance to see the shutter torn from its hinges, and ling and always calling by name every Company, of Chicago, are securely investwith me clinging to it, falling-failing member of the family without any nastakes ed in bonds and mortgages, first liens upon with a fearful crash to the pavement be- is an instance that we never have heard re- real estate, and in United States bonds and who made it, or, at least, that he is no bet-

> engaged, at Nashua, N. H., for some time powder. By doing this you will not only past, in selling several hundred dollars' provide against possible accidents, but will chemical mixture for the removal of warts, a very safe man to go out shooting with. pimples, corns, and moles. A MARRIAGE in high life was broken off | ing flying is fly time. in Terre Haute, Ind., the other day, simply

because the prospective bridegroom, in exment of her mother called for. The editor of a paper in Nebraska who better. It will only be bagging ruffs of offered a premium for the largest water- another kind, and by silencing their drums

the Omaha market with those vegetables all summer, besides boarding his hands on | There is much diversity of opinion re-At a Columbus (Georgia) marble yard

there is a solid block of marble which is you want your dog to do for you. If you to be dug out, a metallic coffin placed want to have birds pointed, a pointer is therein, and the whole, after a corpse is deposited within it, to be hermetically scaled above ground. It has been ordered by solve yourself into a committee of one for a gentleman in Barbour County, Alabama. "When circumstances rendered it impossible for him to attend the stated preaching of the Gospel, he made it a sacred rule to kill an Indian every Sabbath," is the inscription affectionately engraved upon the tomb of a Colorado deacon, by the bereaved members of the congregation.

who has kept house over twenty years,

the cuckoo. Perhaps the best is a plaster Do you believe in the rod as an instru- belly, being held by four men. The execument of discipline?" asked a mother of a tioner then made a transverse incision at

A BRIEF market report: Pens, ink and Two men drove it forcibly up along the paper are stationery; new milk is un- spine, while the executioner held the end changed; brogans are heavy, but dealers and gave it a proper direction, till it came generally are firm; wheat is a grain better out between the neck and shoulders. The than oats; wines and liquors generally lower end was then put up into a wooden have a downward tendency; yeast cakes post and riveted fast; and the sufferer was

THE Chinese of California have a bury- in the ground. At the top of the post, ing-place in San Francisco where they go about ten feet from the ground, there was twice a year to distribute food upon the a kind of little bench, upon which the graves of their deceased friends, and throw body rested. The insensibility or fortitude pieces of charmed paper to the winds, of the miserable sufferer was incredible. with the view of exorcising evil spirits. He did not utter the least complaint, ex-Nearly 2,500 Celestials recently partici- cept when the spike was riveted into the pated in a ceremony of this kind

A FARMER a few days since purchased

found in a whisky barrel seventeen large plugs of tobacco all soaked in whisky. which had evidently been placed there to improve the flavor and "body" of the MARK TWAIN has this advice for young men with literary aspirations: "Write without pay until somebody offers pay. If nobody offers pay within three years, the

stance with the most implicit confidence

as the sign that sawing wood is what he was intended for The Providence Press says that one of is stationed at the place of execution for asked the gentleman. the census enumerators in that city put that purpose. One of the surgeons of the "Oh, he is good for nothing!" replied down in his list twins opposite the names city assured me that none of the parts im- the teacher. "There's nothing in him. I of two children, and against the first he mediately necessary to life are injured by can make nothing of him. He is the most designated Providence as the birthplace. impalement, which makes the punishment stupid boy in school." The thick-headed men in Washington sent more cruel and intolerable; but that as The gentleman was surprised at this

This youth handed a bundle of bills to the tices the recent presentation, by the Mason erable sufferer complained continually of hands upon the noble brow of the little the congregation and the horror of the A. B. C. F. M., for missionary uses, and criminals are exposed during the whole Don't give up, but try, my boy, try." eral years past.

game seemed entirely different since my the play was at an end for that evening. was determined that it should not go to There was a little crowding during the Ar the recent term of court at Lancaster, quired to write a composition upon some ted. This he did with great composure, The secret of his success is worth know-

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his'n, and then ties it up. This is pretty much all which I can think of about necks." it is not well for man to be alone. His not take interest in you. But no one wife lay very sick, not expected to live, knows how closely I am watching my boy and, while in that condition, she heard him as time is bringing him up from boyhood make proposals of marriage to the servant- to manhood. girl. That night the wife died, and was | Sometimes your grandmother worries buried the following day. The widower about your being where there may be bad of a day renewed his proposals to the serv-ant-girl, was accepted, and she is now en-there must be both good and bad, and if

gaged in making her wedding garments. vou choose the bad you show very poor THE murderer Wilson, who tried nine judgment. I think if a boy picks out bad days of self-starvation in the Connecticut | companions, it shows there is something State Prison, thus describes his feelings: bad in himself. NINE-TENTHS of the champagne drank "On the fourth and fifth days the wial was | She says I ought to keep giving you good terrible; the ravings of hunger were fearful; advice, now you are just starting in life, I could hardly stand it. After that hunger and charge you to be honest and truthful ceased. On the sixth day, my thirst was and so forth. I tell her that would be so intense that involuntarily I brought the something as it would be if you were just wash-dish to my lips and drank several starting on a pleasant journey, and I should swallows of water; the dish came invol- say, "Now, William Henry, don't put out untarily to my lips; I could not help it; your own eyes at the beginning, or cut the this was the only time I drank during the nine and a half days." He claims to have mean? A boy that is not honest and truthbeen engaged in over one hundred bur- ful puts out his own eyes and cripples him glaries, besides having broken jail several self at the very beginning.

A CERTAIN Judge, while attending court in a shire town, was passing along a road when a boy was just letting down the bars to drive some cattle in. His father stood you drive them cattle in there; I told you THE deepest excavation in the United to put them in the pasture behind the you try to appear. Go into the woods and house." The boy took no notice whatever of the remonstrance, and his father repeat-It is claimed that the smallest voter in ed the order in a louder tone without the the world is John McKibben, of Winter- least effect, and the third time gave positive know that is pine all the way through. orders not to drive the cattle in there. The son didn't deign to look up, and disobeyed A pine-tree may want to look like an oak, father speaking to you?" "Oh, y-a-a-s." replied the boy, looking at the Judge, "but I don't mind what he says. Mother don't himself. But, in the long run, noneither, and 'tween she and I we've about | body is cheated. For you can read a got the dog so he don't."

Hints to Young Sportsmen.

Punchinello, the New York comic paper. pede from the parlor was the instantaneous day why love was always represented as a about to take to the fields and woods: Before taking the field, look well to your shooting-irons. Fowling-pieces are fargmore apt to get foul while they are laying away during the off season, than when

> do by looking down into the barrel and your head is blown off, then you may be well known what sort of a man he will sure that the gun was loaded. Otherwise make. Should your gun be a breech-loader, al-

ways load it at the muzzle. This will show that you know better than the man If you are a novice in gunnery it will be It is said that a smart woman has been safest for you to put the shot in before the

The best time to acquire the art of shoot-When you hear the drum of the ruffed grouse, sceal silently through the thicket amining the family Bible, found the would- and let drive in the direction of the sound. be bride nine years older than the endorse- | Should you bring down a target company instead of a ruffed grouse, so much the

garding the best kind of dog for fowling purposes. It all depends upon what work best for your purposes. If set, a setter. Before going out for a day's sport, rethe preservation of choice ornithological specimens. By this we do not mean that you are to set up in business as a taxidermist, but that you are bound-if a true sportsman-to protect the song birds, and the birds that are useful in destroying noxious vermin, and all the beautiful feathered creatures that ornament our woods, and fields, and parks, from the depredations of THERE is an old lady in St. Joe., Mo., the ignorant, loutish, pestilent, pernicious pot-hunter. The Sportsmen's Clubs that have been organized throughout the country should be supported by every true sportsman; and if you lay a thick stick vigorously across the back of the first fool

put an end to his torments, which fortu-

nately happened the next day, about three

An Impalement in Java. THE criminal was led in the morning to the place of execution, and laid upon his pressive manner, applauding in a whisper as they found a crevice between the stone ble to water. The fabrics from which my resolve which he declared to be "ble to water. The fabrics from which tute for it?" "The revolver, madam." was about six feet long, and made of political was about six feet long, and m passed between the backbone and the skin. lifted up, thus impaled, and the post stuck sioned by it seemed to be intolerable to reading. When we have expended our him, and he then bellowed with pain; money for anything, we are anxious to get preserve cider. Upon rinsing them out he and likewise once again, when our money's worth back again. he was lifted up and set on the ground. He sat in this dreadful situation till death

" Don't Give Up."

A GENTLEMAN traveling in the northo'clock in the afternoon. He owed this ern part of Ireland, heard the voices of speedy termination to his misery to a light | children and paused to listen. shower of rain, which continued for about | Finding the sounds proceeded from a an hour, and he gave up the ghost half an small building used as a school house, he hour afterwards. There have been in drew near; and as the door was open, he stances in Batavia of criminals who have entered, and listened to the words the candidate may look upon this circum- been impaled in the dry season, and have boys were spelling.

murdered his good master, and expressed a great and good man, beloved and hon-

GRAND TRUNK RAILROADS - All the

YOUTHS' DEPARTMENT A LITTLE GIRL TO HER DOLLY.

Husn, Dolly; bye, Dolly; sleep, Dolly dear.
See what a bed, Dolly, I've for you here!
Therefore to sleep, Dolly! Don't fret and cry:
Lay down your head, Dolly; shat up your eye. When the bright morn, Dolly, once more has Up gets the sun then, and goes forth to roam: Then shall my Dolly get up from bed too; Then shall be playtime for me and for you. Now go to sleep, Dolly; good-night to you. You must to bed, Dolly- I'm going too.

Just go to sleep without trouble or pain; And, in the morning, I'll come back again. —From the German. A Father's Letter to His Son.

My DEAR SON: Perhaps you have thought that because I am rather a silent man, and do not very often write you a let-A MAN in Leavenworth evidently thinks ter, that I have not much feeling and do

There is a good deal said about arriving at honor and distinction. I don't want you to think about arriving at honor. want you to take honor to start with, And as for distinction, a man in the long run is never distinguise ed for anything but what he really is. So make up your mind just what you want to pass for and be it. For you will pass for what you are, not what see how easily you can tell one tree from another. You'see oak-leaves on one, and you know that is oak all the way through You see pine-needles on another, and you honest, and think he does appear man's character about as easy as you can the leaves on the trees. Some times I sit down in a grocery store and hear the neighbors' talked about, and 'tis curious to find how well everybody is known. It seems as if every man walked round labelled, as you may say, same as preserve-jars are lab-lled, "currant,"

his label is. Just as likely as not a man may think his label is "quince marmalade Just so with boys. Grown folks notice On releasing your gun from its summer boys a great deal, though when I was a prison, always examine it carefully, to as- boy I never knew they did. The little afcertain whether it is loaded. This you can fairs of playtime and schooltime, and their home ways are all talked over, and by the touching the trigger with your toe. It time a boy is twelve years old it is pretty

"quince," &c. Only he don't know what

New don't mistake my meaning. I don't want you to be true because people will know it if you are not, but because it is right and noble to be so. I want you to be able to respect yourself. Never do anything that you like yourself any the less A boy of your age is old enough to be looking ahead some, to see what he is aim-

ing at. I don't suppose you want to drift worth of molasses and water as a valuable secure for yourself the reputation of being like the seaweed, that lodges wherever the waves toss it up! Set up your mark, and a good high one. And be sure and remember that, as a general thing, there is no such thing as luck. It a man seems to be a lucky merchant or lawyer or any thing else, 'tis because he has the talent, the industry, the determined will, that make him so. People see the luck, but they don't always see the "taking pains" that's behind it. I remember you wrote melon left at his office, has been supplying you will have conferred an obligation upon us a letter once, and spoke of a nice house, with nice things inside, that you meant to have by "trying hard enough." There's a good deal in that. We've got to try hard and try long and try often and try again, and keep trying That house never'll

come down to you. You've got to climb up to it step by step. I don't know that I have anything to say about the folly of riches. On the contrary, I think 't is a very good plan to have money enough to buy books and other things worth having. I don't see why a marcan't be getting knowledge and growing better at the same time he is growing richer. Some poor folks have a prejudice against rich folks. I haven't any. Rich people have follies, but poor people copy them it they can. That is to say, we often see poor people making as big fools of themselves as they can, with the means they have. Money won't hurt you, Billy, so long as you keep common sense and a true heart .- From the William Henry Letters in

Our Young Folks. Read, and You Will Know.

The mother of the great Sir William Jones used to say to him, when a little boy, and full of wide-awake inquiries. "Read, and you will know." At the si time taking great pains to teach him where to look for the information he desired. Now, boys and girls take this for a motto. If you are desirous of information on any point, take the trouble to hunt

read it over carefully, and thoroughly. Fix every point as distinctly as if written with a diamond point on glass. Don't say lazily, "I wish I knew about this or that metter," but stir yourself up to search for it, and read about it. Don't "wonder" over a subject, while there, ten feet from you, is a book in the book-case which can tell you all about it. You will never grow wise or learn until you have learned to be a thorough, frequent reader of good books. Good papers, too, teach you many excellent things, you will greatly miss, if you do not read them. Take one of your own and you will prize it much more on that account and be more likely to give it a thorough

remained alive for eight or more days, One little fellow stood apart, sad and

without any food or drink, which is pre- dispirited. vented to be given them by a guard, who | "Why does that boy stand there?"

A Boy's Composition .- A youngster re- his abhorance of the crime he had commit- ored. It was Dr. Adam Clarke.

ness that I could only have pitied in another.

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